GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services - Forest Department - Disciplinary case of Sri J Hari Babu, ACF (retd) former DFO Krishna Division - Article of Charge issued - Inquiry finalized and findings received - Imposing a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of one (1) year against the Charged Officer - Show-Cause-Notice Issued - Explanation received – Final Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 51 Dated:27-05-2016.

Read the following:

1. From the Prl.CCF Lr.Rc.No.55192/2010/K3, Dt:19-08-2013.
2. G.M. No. 6706/For.IV/A1/2013, dt. 02.07.2015.
3. From the PCCF, Lr. Ref. No. 55192/2010/Vig-3, dt. 29.01.2016.
4. Govt. Lr. No. 6706/For.IV/A1/2013, dt.18.03.2016
5. From the Prl. Secretary, APPSC, Lr. No. 259/DC&C/2/2016, dt. 06.05.2016.

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In the reference 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that an Article of Charge was issued, vide Prl. CCF Ref.No.55192/2010/P1, Dt.31-12-2011 against Sri J. Hari Babu, Divisional Forest Officer, Krishna Division, Vijayawada on the following count:

Article: "That he had exhibited gross negligence of duty and misused the delegated powers by renewing the license of Sri Umiya Timber Mart and Sawmill, Autonagar, Vijayawada contrary to the Rule 6 of A.P. Saw Mill (Regulation) Rules, 1969, for the year 2010"

2. The Charged Officer acknowledged the Article of Charge on 21-01-2012, but did not submit the written statement of defense within stipulated time. Hence, the Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry and Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Vijayawada were appointed as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively, for conducting regular inquiry, vide Ref. No.55192/2010/P1(i)(ii), Dt.12-4-2012.

3. The Inquiry Officer conducted enquiry and submitted findings vide Rc.No.8690/2010/M8, Dt.6-4-2013, wherein he concluded the charge held proved. The Findings of the Inquiry Officer were communicated to the Charged Officer vide Ref.No.55192/ 2010/K3, Dt.13-5-2013 for submitting further defense statement. The Charged Officer submitted his further defense statement on 19-06-2013, in which he has not put forth any new points to be considered.

4. The Charged Officer retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on the A.N. of 30.06.2013. Hence, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9(1) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

5. After careful examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the IO, the remarks of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, it is observed that the charges framed against the Charged Officer are held proved and it was provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of one year" from the pensionary benefits of Sri J. Hari Babu, Assistant Conservator of Forests (retd.), under rule 9 (1) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Accordingly a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the retired officer vide reference 2nd read above. The PCCF, A.P., Hyderabad, vide ref.3rd read above has informed that, the Charged Officer did not submit his further defense statement till to the Show Cause Notice. Moreover, time granted for submission of explanation is also over.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of (1) one year against the retired Charged Officer Sri J. Hari Babu, ACF(Retd.), under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.
The Principal Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad
(with ref. to Lr.No.259/DC&C/2/2016, dt.06.05.2016).

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SECTION OFFICER